

House Resolution No. 4111

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are pleased and honored to recognize Missourians who have witnessed dramatic changes in America during their sojourn on this most precious Earth; and

Whereas, the members now find it altogether fitting and proper to pause in their course of the diverse daily activities to recognize Blanche Keller, of Eldon, Missouri, who observed her centennial birthday on May 23, 2008; and

Whereas, Blanche Keller was born on May 23, 1908, in Lamont, Iowa, the beloved daughter of Martin and Ida Gruman; and

Whereas, in the month and year of her birth, residents of Washington, D.C., crowded to see the arrival of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, the American actor James "Jimmy" Stewart was born, the Wright brothers registered a flying machine at the U.S. Patent Office, and British writer Ian Fleming, author of the James Bond books, was born; and

Whereas, now in her 100th years, Blanche Keller can reminisce about the significant and memorable events in her life, events that include her marriages to Ben Schneider and Robert Keller and the births of her son, Ben Schneider, Jr., her two grandchildren, Eric and Jennifer, and her four great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Blanche Keller on the illustrious occasion of her 100th birthday, with our very best wishes for many more happy years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Blanche Keller.

Offered by _____
Representative Rodney Schad
District No. 115

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4111, adopted September 10, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker